Planting of Trees.

No. R. 8898-8909—FT. 64-15-7, DATED 18TH MARCH 1916.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE GOVERNMENT OF HIS HIGHNESS THE MAHARAJA OF MYSORE.

GENERAL AND REVENUE DEPARTMENTS.

READ—

Letter No. 4725, dated the 17th November 1915, from the Conservator of Forests in Mysore, submitting his views in the matter of encouraging tree planting in the maidan parts of the State.

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The Conservator of Forests is requested to arrange for the establishment of nurseries in each district, except Shimoga and Kadur, at convenient centres, for raising seedlings of the most suitable trees selected out of the appended list. The seedlings should be distributed free of charge to village committees and patels of villages applying for the same through the Amildar or Deputy Amildar concerned.

2. Government consider that the Conservator's estimate of the annual cost, *viz.*, Rs. 20,000 for the purpose is too high. He is requested to submit details of absolute requirements to begin with. Pending final orders on this point, the Conservator is authorised to incur expenditure not exceeding Rs. 40 per mensem each in the Districts of Bangalore, Kolar, Tumkur and Chitaldrug and Rs. 25 per mensem each in Mysore and Hassan Districts.

3. The cost will be met by reappropriation from the savings expected under I (*b*) controlling staff in the Forest Budget. The Conservator is requested to submit a reappropriation statement in this behalf before beginning to incur the charges.

4. The Conservator of Forests is requested to report in consultation with the Chairman of the Agricultural Committee of the Economic Conference on the desirability of issuing in Kannada a brief pamphlet on Arboriculture. The manual of Arboriculture published by the Bombay Government may be taken as a sample of what can be done in this line.

5. In the Chitaldrug District, a printed leaflet in Kannada giving the names and uses of trees suited to that district was issued in 1914, by the District Committee of the Economic Conference and the Conservator may ascertain if any practical action has been taken in that district since then.

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To—The Conservator of Forests in Mysore.
The Comptroller, Mysore Government.
The Revenue Commissioner in Mysore.
The Deputy Commissioners of Districts.
The Secretary, Economic Conference.